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IN THE UNITED STATES PATENT AND TRADEMARK OFFICE

In re Application of:)
Ann M. Wollrath et al.) Group Art Unit: 2151
Serial No.: 09/082,960) Examiner: Alvin E. Oberley
Filed: May 22, 1998)
For: System and Method for Facilitating)
Dynamic Loading of "Stub" Information)
to Enable a Program Operating in One)
Address Space to Invoke Processing)
of a Remote Method of Procedure in)
Another Address Space)

Commissioner for Patents and Trademarks
Washington, DC 20231

Sir:

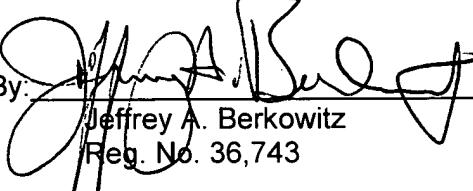
RESPONSE TO RESTRICTION REQUIREMENT

In a restriction requirement dated February 1, 2002, the Examiner required restriction under 35 U.S.C. § 121 between Group I, including claims 34-43 and 53-63, and Group II, including claims 44-52. Applicants provisionally elect to prosecute Group 1, claims 34-43 and 53-63, characterized by the Examiner as being drawn to interprogram communication.

Please grant any extensions of time required to enter this response and charge any additional required fees to our deposit account 06-0916.

Respectfully submitted,

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